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Venice, Octob. 31.

THis week we receive Letters from *Constantinople* of the 10 past, by which we understand that the Grand Signior had finally resolved to begin his journy the 20 of the same month towards *Adrianople*, where he intends to reside this Winter. By a Tartane arrived from *Malta*, we have advice, that that Island was now perfectly free of the Plague, for that in some days before not one person had dyed of any pestilentious distemper. It is reckoned that in all there have dyed this Summer of the Plague 8000 persons, being the tenth part of the Inhabitants of that Island, though they were most of the ordinary sort, there having only dyed 17 of 400 Knights of the Order that are there. By a Vessel arrived from *Sicily*, we have Letters which say that the *French* Fleet was returned to *Messina*.

Ditto, Nov. 6. Our advices from *Sicily* this week contradict what was writ by the last Ordinary, for it is now affirmed that the *French* still keep a good Garison at *Melilli*, and that they have designs of fortifying it. The Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*, Viceroy of *Sicily*, continues his residence at *Catanea*, and has summoned, as is said, all the Barons of the Kingdom to repair thither to his assistance. That the Sieur *Bracamonte*, General of the *Spanish* Horse, after having reinforced the Garison of *Siracusa*, was gone to *Carientino*.

Madrid, Nov. 4. Yesterday their Majesties returned hither from the *Escurial*. *Don Fernando de Valencuela* Marquis *de Villa Sierra* is made Grandee of *Spain*, and declared first Minister. Orders have been sent to the Count *de Melgar* to continue at *Rome*, in quality of Extraordinary Ambassador of this Crown, till the arrival of the Marquis *de Liche*, who will not begin his journey thither till Spring. The Cardinal *Nitard* is made Archbishop of *Palermo*. The King, it's said, has resolved to take a journey to *Saragusa* in *Arragon*, to swear the Conservation of the Priviledges of that Kingdom.

Francfort, Nov 9. We begin to think here that the *Lunenburg* and other Confederate Troops commanded by the Duke of *Zell*, will not do any thing this year, but only take their Winter-quarters with the most convenience they can; as for the design it is said they have upon *Deuxponts*, we cannot look upon it as likely to succeed, seeing the Winter season is so far advanced, and that the Mareschal *Crequi* has put a very good Garison into it. As to the Imperial Army, we are assured by our last Letters from *Basle*, that the Duke of *Lorrain* having received the necessary orders he expected from *Vienna*, was going to put the said Forces into their Winter-quarters; and that the instances made by the *Swisse Cantons* had had that effect upon him, as to divert him from the design it's said he had to pass the *Rhine* at *Rhinfelde*. The Emperors marriage with the Princess of *Neuburg* will be celebrated the 9th of *December* at *Passau*, to which the Emperor has sent to invite the Elector of *Bavaria*, with the other Princes of the Empire. Since the News of the Peace between the *Turks* and the *Poles*, there have been some reports, though we know not upon what ground they are raised, as if the former would now turn towards *Hungary*, and give the Emperor some disturbance on that side; but our Letters from *Vienna* are so far from making any mention hereof, that on the contrary they say that the Emperor and his Ministers do not in the least apprehend any trouble from the *Ottomans* having good reason to rest assured of the friendship of the Port; and besides, it's said, that the affairs of the *Turks* are not at present in a very good condition, and that they are wearied with War, having, notwithstanding their numerous Armies, not been able to reap any great advantage by that they have now disengaged themselves of with *Poland*.

Ratisbonne, Nov 10. The 6th instant, the Coune *Kinsky*, one of the Imperial Plenipotentiaries for the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, parted from *Prague* in *Bohemia* on his journey thither. The several instances that have been made to the Elector of *Bavaria* in order to the engaging him to join his Forces with those of the other Princes of the Empire, have not hitherto had any effect, his Electoral Highness still declaring, that as he cannot depart from the Neutrality he hath hitherto observed in this War, so he will most readily employ his utmost endeavors towards the procuring a general Peace. From *Vienna* they write, that a great Ambassador was expected there from the Port, and that he was already on his journey, but that his business was not known. The Rebels in *Hungary* assemble again in strong Parties, and seem to be in expectation of some assistance from abroad, which if it appear they do with any ground promise themselves from the *Turks*, the Count *Slafgotz* will, it's said, be sent Ambassador to the Grand Signior, to renew the Treaties and Capitulations between his Imperial Majesty and the Port. The Duke of *Neuburg* will recruit his Troops against the next Campagne.

Copenhagen, Nov. 10. It may well be imagined that we are at present in some disorder here, upon the News we receive that the *Suedes* came yesterday with a strong Body to *Helsingburg*, and immediately possessed themselves of the Town, but the Castle still holds out. It seems the *Swedes* having amused our Forces with different marches, and by that means kept them uncertain of what they intended, divided their Army into three Bodies, the one of 8000 men commanded by the King of *Sueden* in person came to *Helsingburg*, while the second Body of the like number remained for a Reserve, and that a third of 4000 was sent towards *Malmoe* to relieve that place, which we fear they have effected. Yesterday our King was encamped with his Army, which is not above 13000 strong, at *Landskroon*, from whence, it's said, his Majesty would march this morning towards *Helsingburg*. This night 3000 Seamen will be sent hence over into *Schonen*, and the Garison of this place will follow to reinforce our King. It is said that Prince *George* with 1000 Horse has had an ill rencounter with the *Suedes*, of which we know not as yet the particulars, which you may expect in our next, with a certain account of what has passed in *Schonen*.

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